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**Response Under 37 CFR 1.116
Expedited Procedure Examining
Group 3682**

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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Shinji KUGA et al. Conf.: 3205
Appl. No.: 09/826,862 Group: 3682
Filed: April 6, 2001 Examiner: T.P. MCANULTY
For: V BELT TYPE TRANSMISSION

Response After Final Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated April 3, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Claim Set as Amended.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. In accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.

RECOMMENDED
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

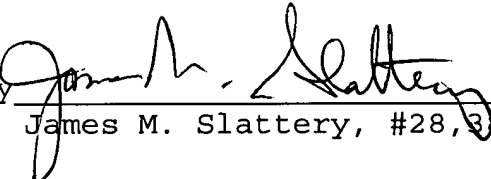
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- ☐ Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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